

# DOUGLAS COUNTY YOUTH CENTER

January 2020
PRESENTATION FOR
THE DOUGLAS COUNTY BOARD OF
COMMISSIONERS

#### MISSION STATEMENT

"To protect the interest and safety of the community by providing a secure, safe and structured environment for youth and to offer the necessary educational and developmental resources to a culturally diverse population of young people in detention, staff secure and in the community."

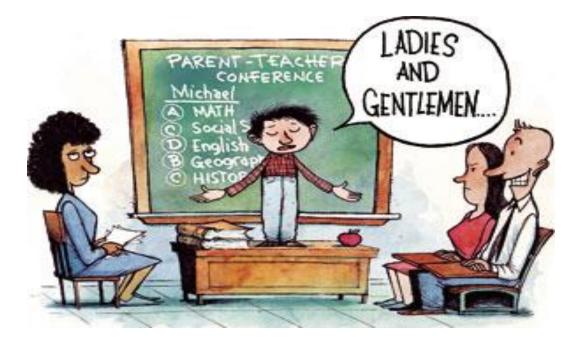
#### Programming

- 2019 9 students earned their diploma this year.
- 2 student are currently enrolled with Metro Community College.



#### Programming

Parent/TeacherConferences –



The last conference was held in January, 2020. 34 parents participated in the conference. This represents a 50% participation rate.

The next conference is scheduled for May 2020. Family Engagement Liaison - reaches out to families

We are one of only a few facilities to offer this

We hope - Family engagement will translate to their home school

### Programming Heartland Workforce Solutions –

- Career Connections through the Youth Center allows us to register youth, with the Workforce Investment Act (WIA), throughout the year.
- Career Fair September 20, 2019.
   13 participants.
- Youth will have an opportunity to meet with electricians, construction workers, concrete workers, drywall installers. Goodwill's program Youth Build Program. Job Corps, Charles Drew, UNMC and Heartland Workforce Solutions.

Next Career Fair is scheduled for March 2020.

### Parents Meeting

The last parent meeting was held January 13. No families participated.

We then offered this opportunity, for the parents, during the parent teacher conference – January 13 to January 17, 2020. Six parents participated.

The next meeting is scheduled for February 20.

- This is an orientation, for parents, of all services available to their child while at the Youth Center.
- Parents of youth with us for 30 days are now receiving an academic progress report to provide documentation of the credits earned while at the Youth Center.
- The Youth Center will receive feedback from the parents as we look to improve our services and service delivery.
- We are working with Concord mediation to develop a tool to report and monitor the feedback from parents.

#### Programming

#### Foster Grandparent Program



The Foster Grandparent Board will begin spending time with our kids on February 4<sup>th</sup> at 9 am.

# Psychiatric Services (UNMC, Charles Drew, Creighton and DCYC)

- Dr. Zoucha provides med management and writes evaluations for the youth.
- The navigator position from Charles Drew will build relationships with youth at DCYC and stay with them as they transition out of DCYC. Charles Drew has hired three Licensed Mental Health Practitioners (LMHP) to carry out the functions of the navigator.
- Charles Drew will be taking the lead on this contract.
   Charles Drew will then provide the services directly or contract for the services as needed. The County Board has now signed the contract.

#### New Program – Creating a Voice

This Program is offered by the Women Center for Advancement.

- This is a program designed to combat sex trafficking.
- Female delinquents often present with a history or prior experiences which have put them at an elevated risk for victimization. In order to combat these risk factors, protective factors should be instilled, such as positive self-esteem, a positive peer group, safe and nurturing environment, and academic success.
- Youth have identified a need for programming which enables them time for free expression, inventive outlets, and self-empowerment. This group is designed to build and model healthy non-coercive relationships, empower youth voice, and encourage participation in designing the curriculum through leadership opportunities. Creating Voice has been created for girls currently residing in the Douglas County Youth Center, between the ages of 13-18. Creating Voice will provide 90 minutes each week for the youth to gather with the facilitators to address issues they have deemed important, such as health, relationships, and social change through creative interventions.

#### **Objectives**

- The ability to better identify red and green flags of relationships then put into practice and replicate healthy relationships.
- Become informed consumer of information through familiarization with current events. Knowledge of how decisions/ policies impact one's life and how to effect change.
- Expression and internalization of self-love and self-respect practices.

#### Current Programs at the Youth Center

#### HOME Program –

- Community based program for pre adjudicated youth
- Diversion program for truant youth
- Alternative to detention at the time of Intake

#### Education –

- School liaison
- Academic Advancement Plan provide students and parents with an outline of all requirements left to graduate from high school
- Career Center
- Individualized reading
- College courses through Metro
- Online classes
- Parent Teacher conferences
- Family Engagement Liaison
- Parent meetings
- Poetry
- Special Education
- Credits earned are sent to their home school so that the students will not fall behind while at the Youth Center. In fact, most students are better off academically when they leave the Youth Center.
- Graduation ceremony students will wear a cap and gown as they graduate from high school. Cake and refreshments will be available to them and their family to celebrate. A photo book will be put together to commemorate this event.

### Programs Cont.

#### Medical –

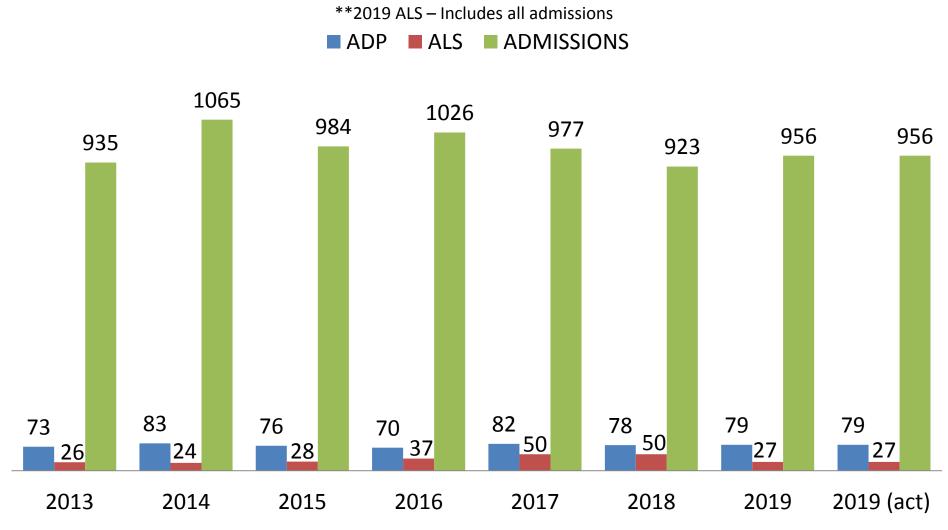
- Nurse Manager
- 4 Registered Nurses
- UNMC contract provides Pediatrician and Nurse Practitioner
- All youth receive a physical within 24 hours of arriving at the Youth Center

### Programs Cont.

#### Mental Health

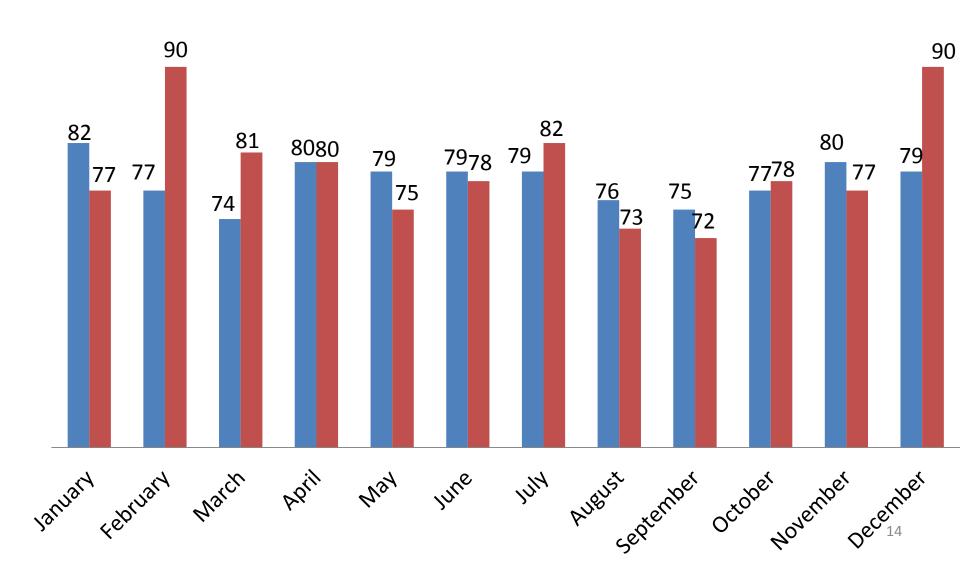
- Region 6 funds mental health services that are provided by Heartland Family Services
- Charles Drew contracting with CHI, Creighton and UNMC to provide services at the youth center that will
  follow these young people as they transition home.
- Girl Scouts
- Do Justice partnership between UNMC and Creighton to educate the youth on sexually transmitted diseases, appropriate relationships and parenthood
- You Turn Gang prevention program
- **Dusk to Dawn** violence prevention program
- Domestic Violence
- Creating a Voice Sex Trafficking
- Heartland Workforce Solutions Summer jobs program and work readiness. Work Keys will
  prepare students for the ACT test and assist them with career assessments.
- **Expediter** Works with a variety of agencies in the juvenile justice system to reduce the length of stay at the youth center.
- Foster Grandparent
- Yoga

### Average Daily Population (ADP); Length of Stay (ALS); Admissions

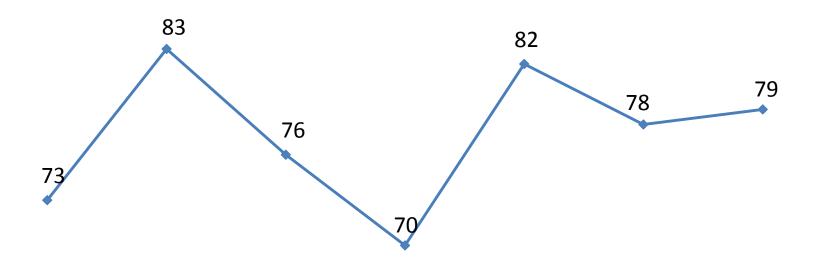


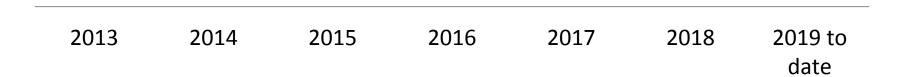
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■ 5 YR Average ■ 2018 or 2019 (most current month)



### **Average Daily Population**

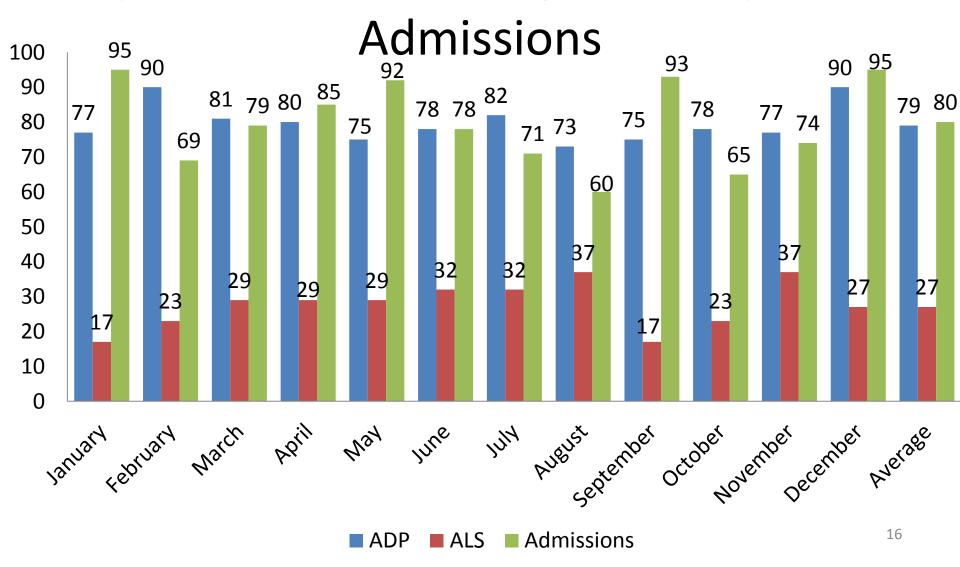




#### Monthly Average Daily

2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)

#### Population (ADP); Length of Stay (ALS);



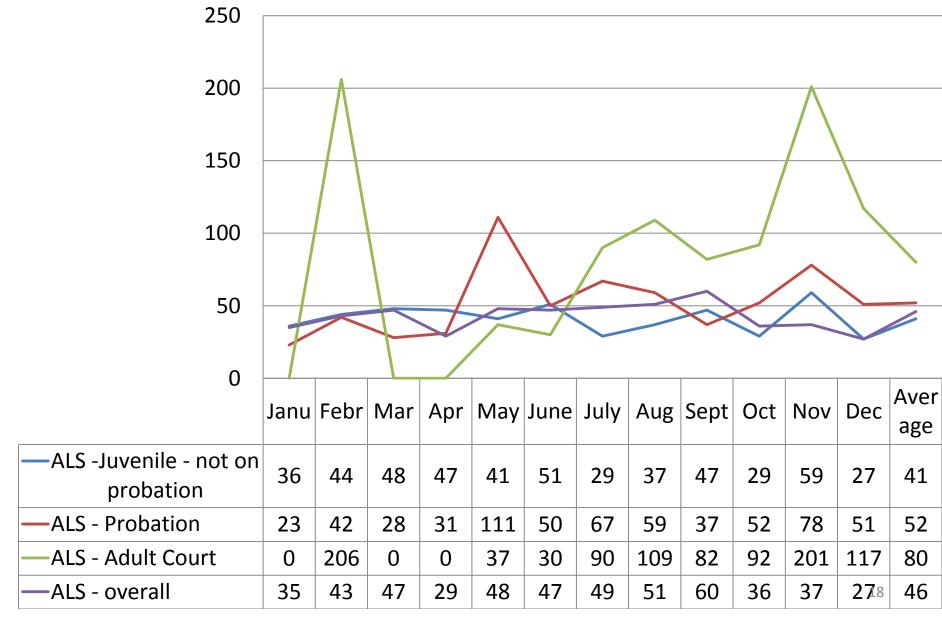
### Average Length of Stay



2016 2017 2018 2019 YTD

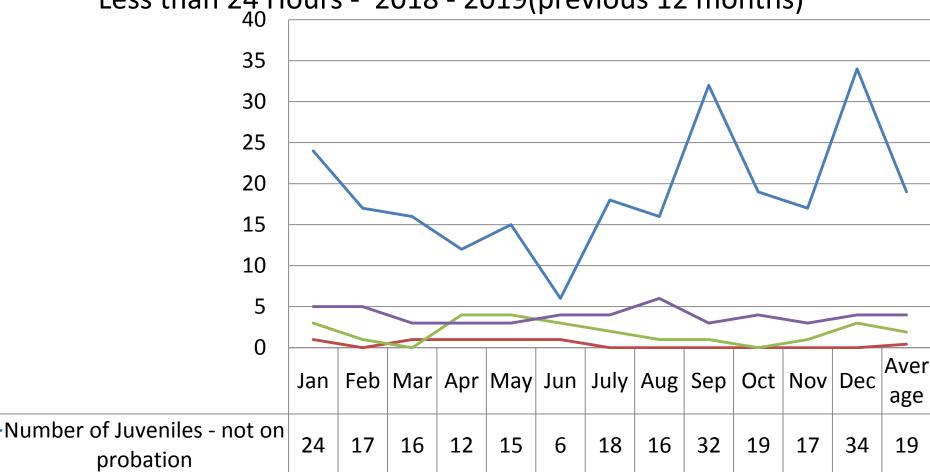
#### Average Length of Stay (days)

Over 24 hours – 2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)



#### Average Length of Stay (hours)

Less than 24 Hours - 2018 - 2019 (previous 12 months)



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Number of Juveniles -

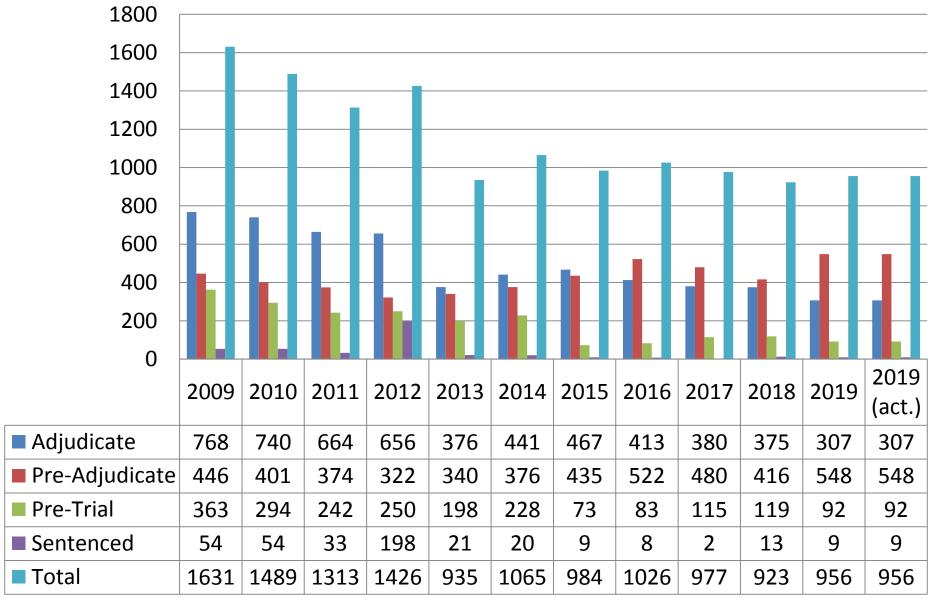
**Probation** 

-ALS (in hours) - overall

Number of Juveniles - Adult

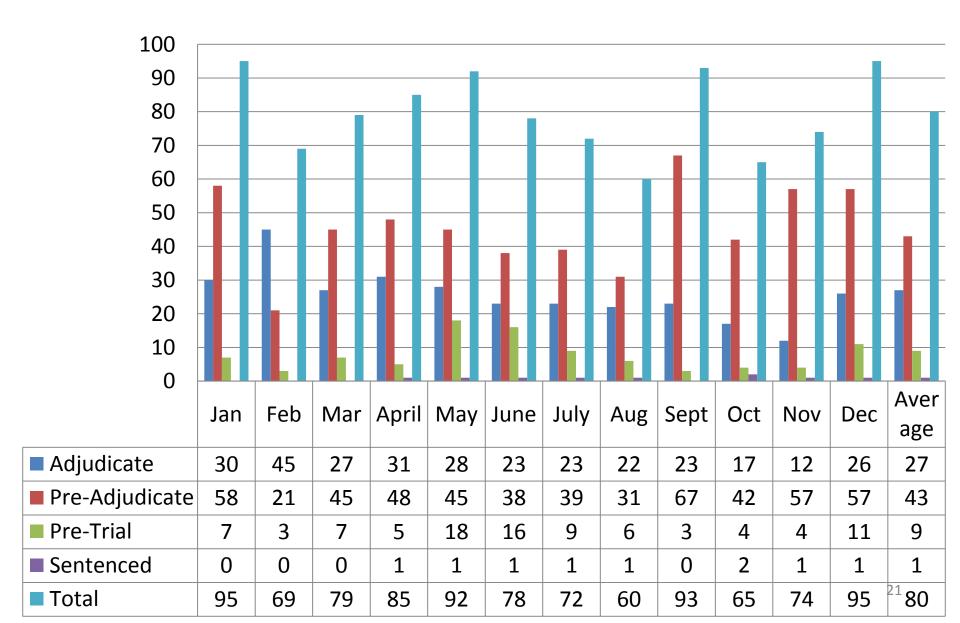
Court

#### Admissions 2008 - 2019

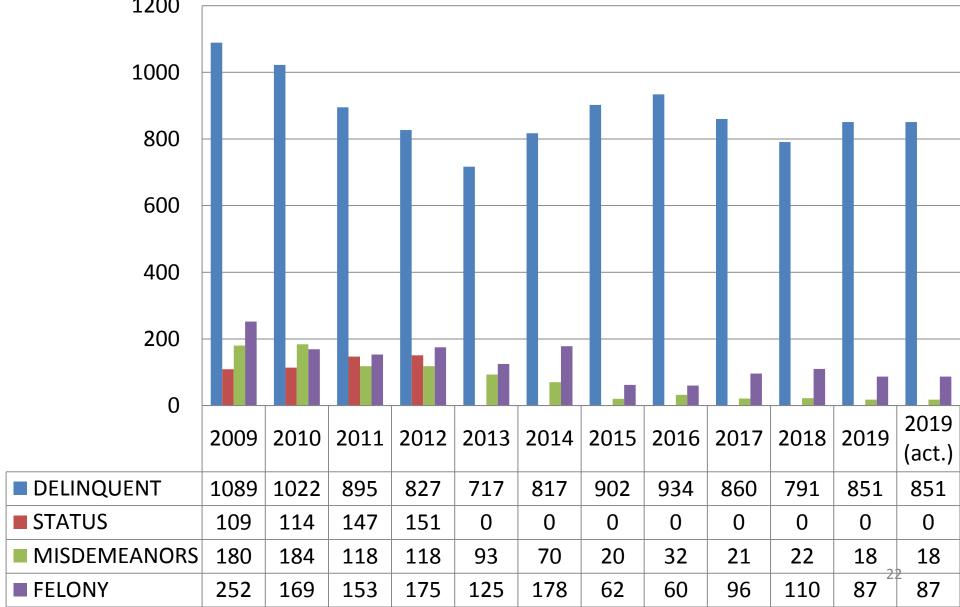


#### Monthly Admissions

2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)

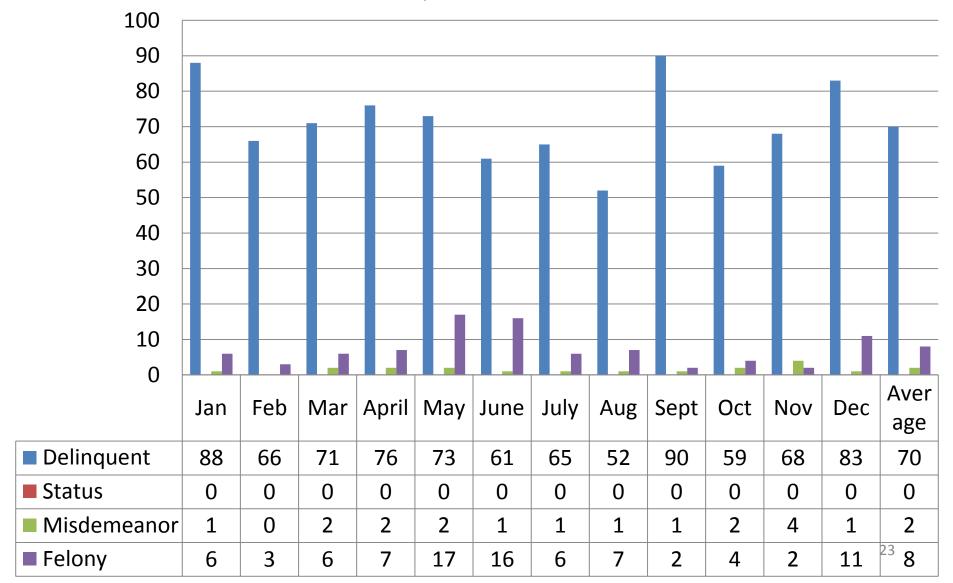


Classification at Admissions

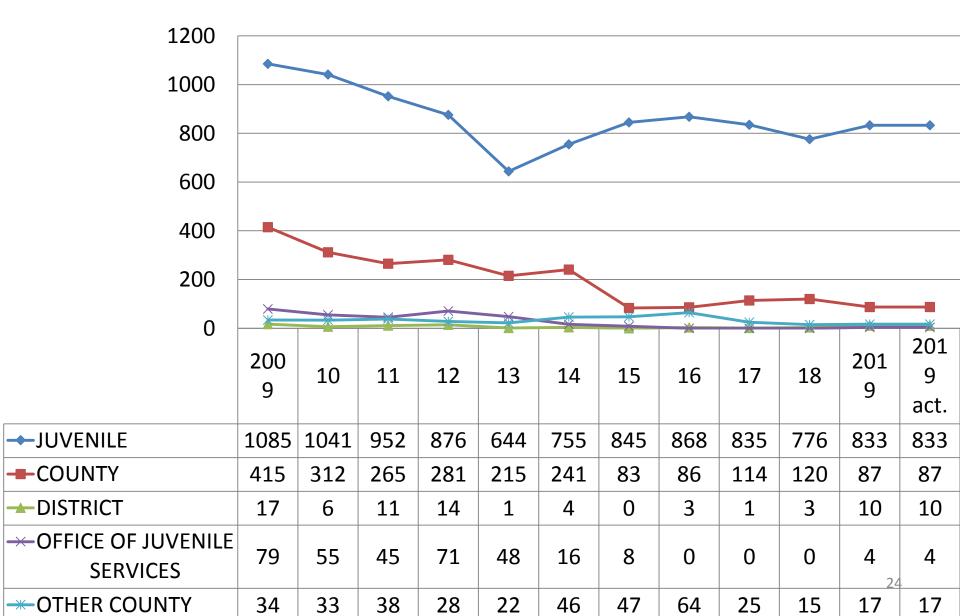


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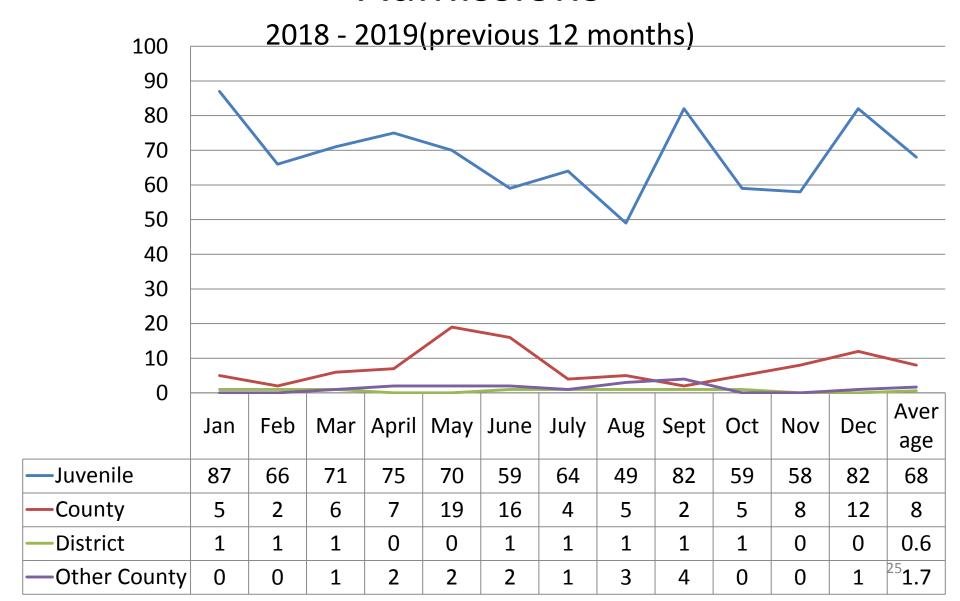
2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)



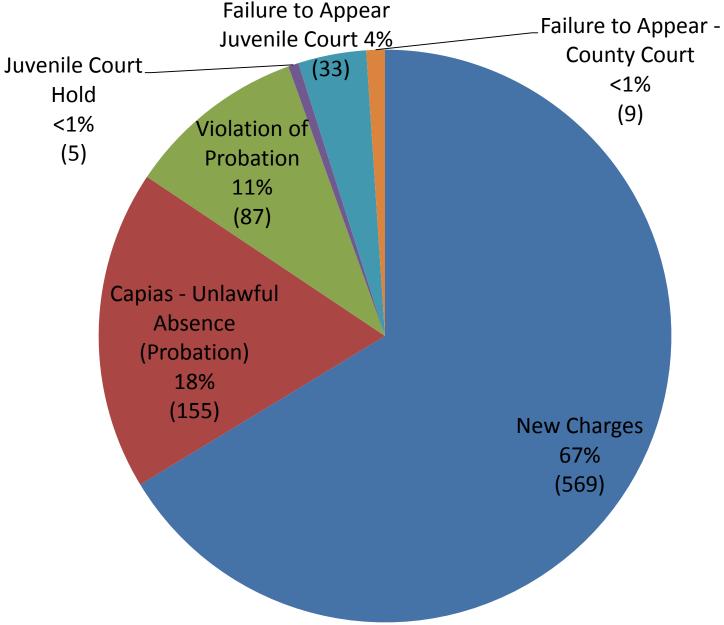
#### **Court Jurisdiction at Admissions**



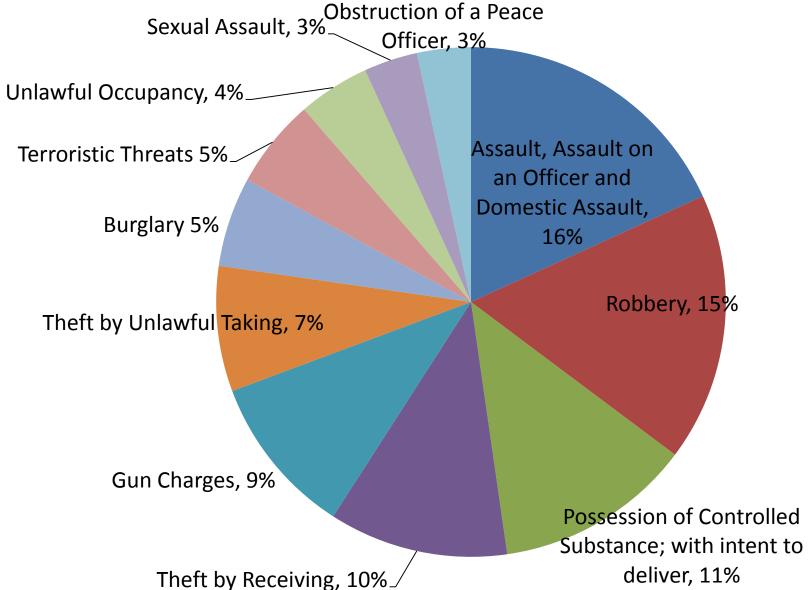
## Monthly Court Jurisdiction at Admissions



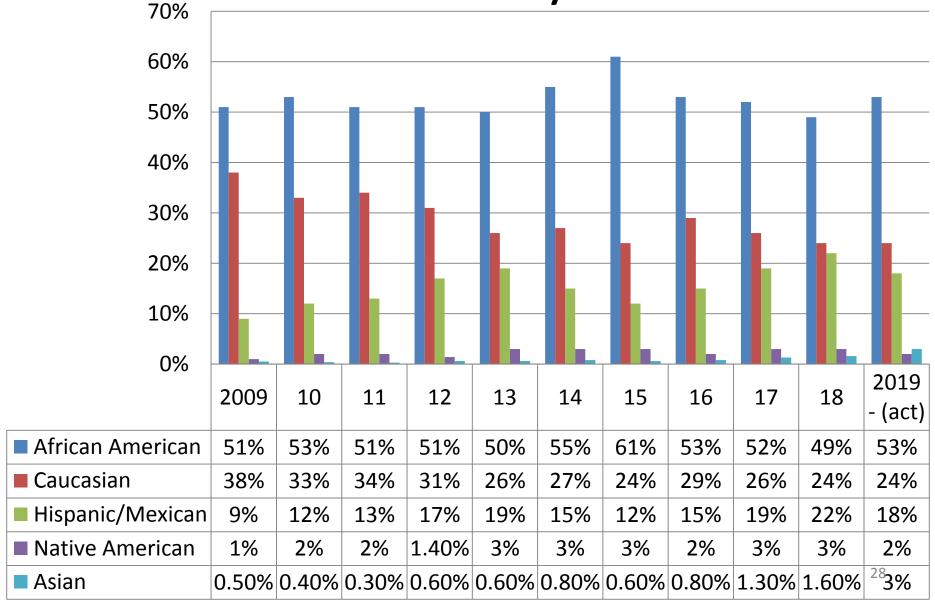
### Reason for Admission 2019 Failure to Appear



# New Charges – Top 11 Offenses Account For 88% of All Admissions Sexual Assault, 3% Officer 396

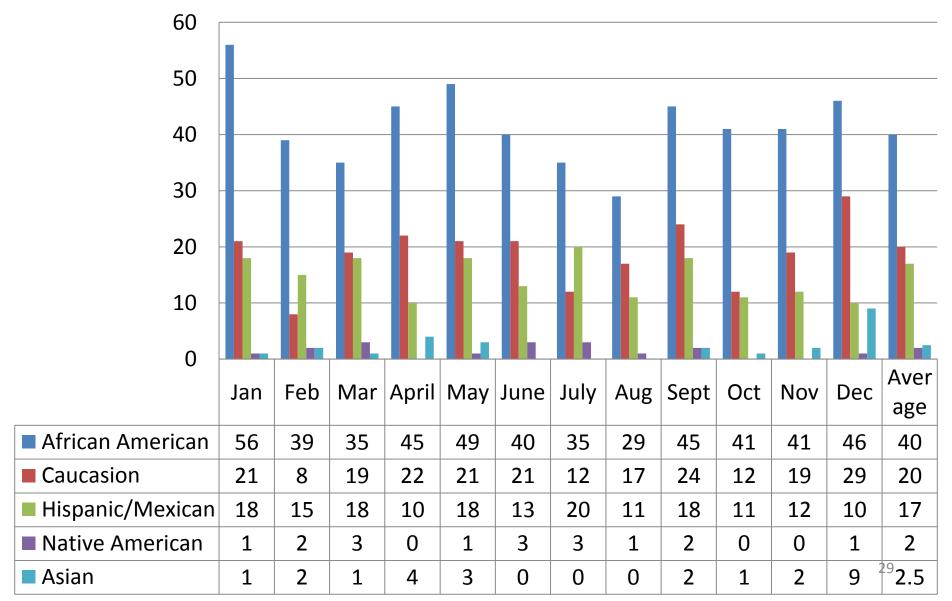


Admissions by Race



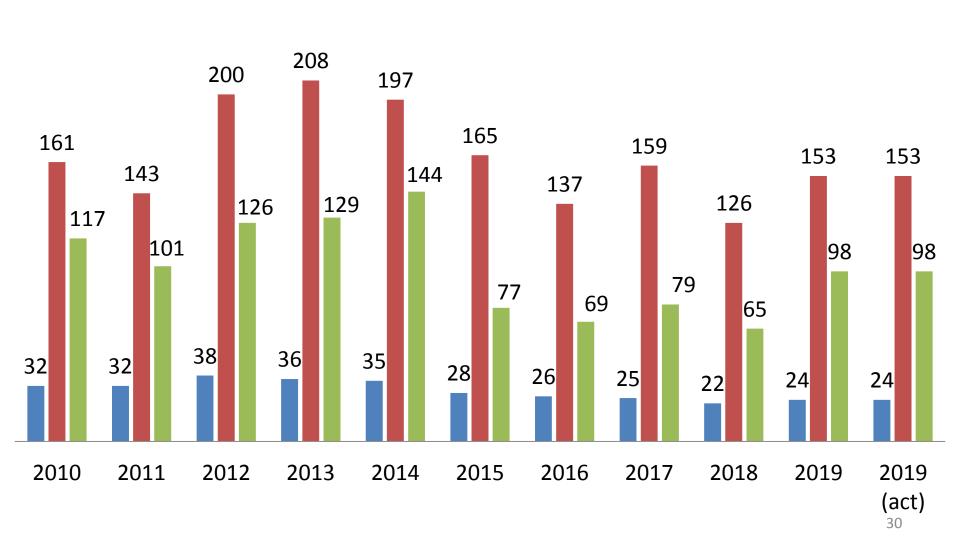
#### Monthly Admissions by Race

2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)

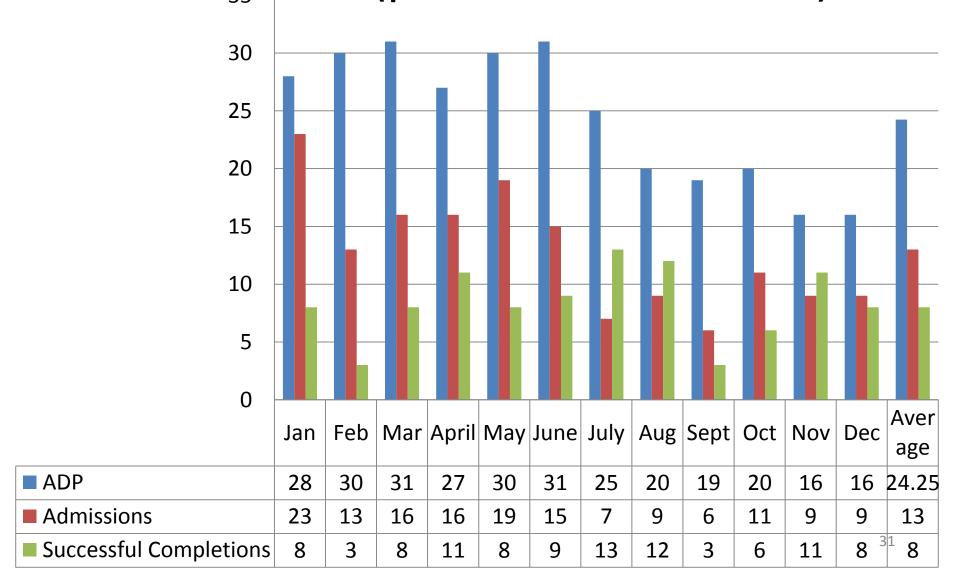


### **HOME Program**

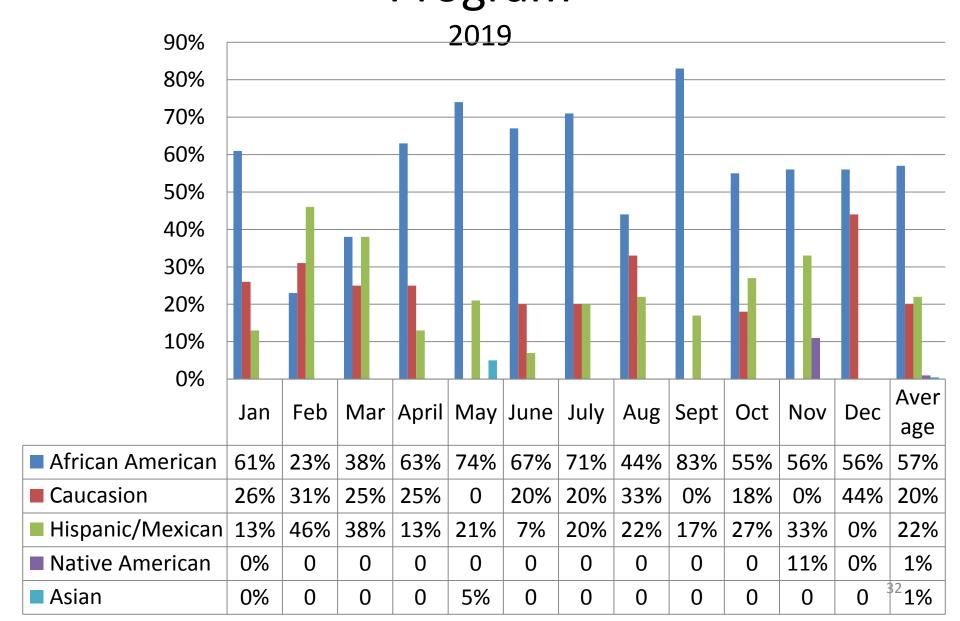




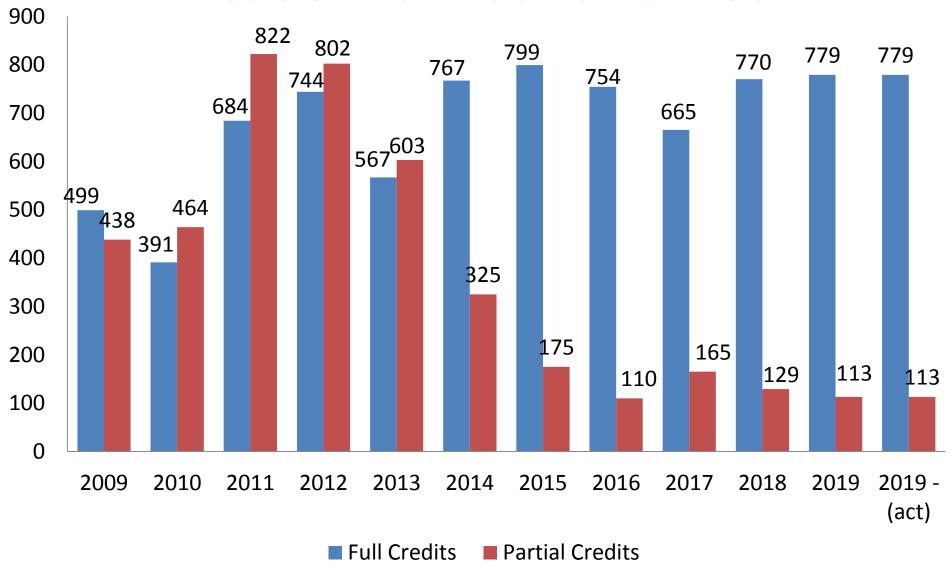
## HOME Program by month 2018<sub>35</sub> 2019(previous 12 months)



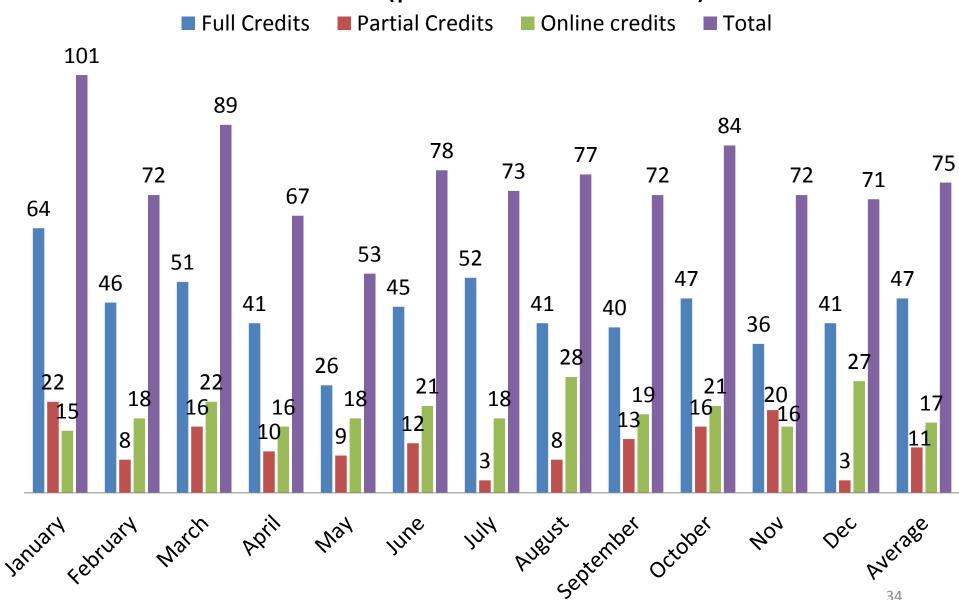
## Monthly Admissions by Race HOME Program



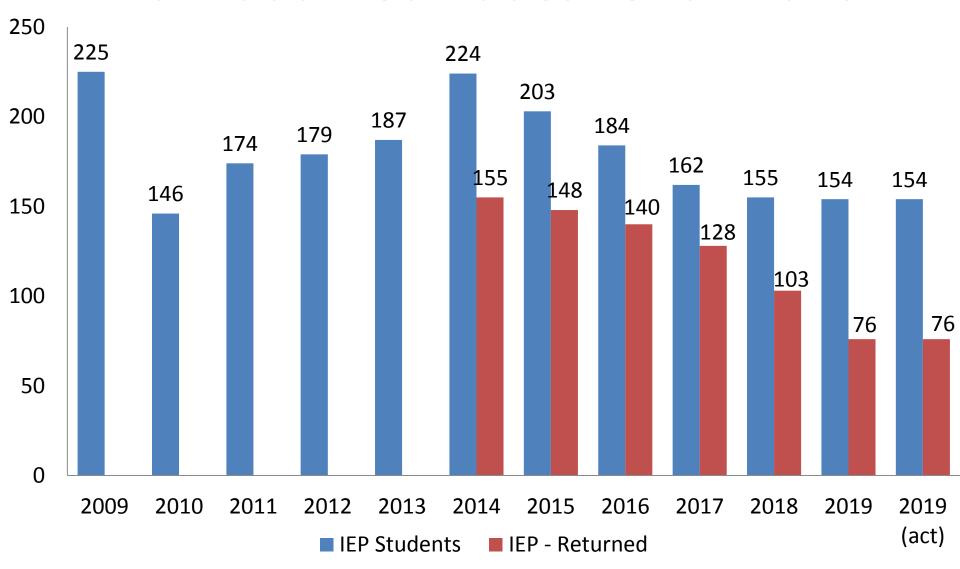
#### **Academic Credits Earned**



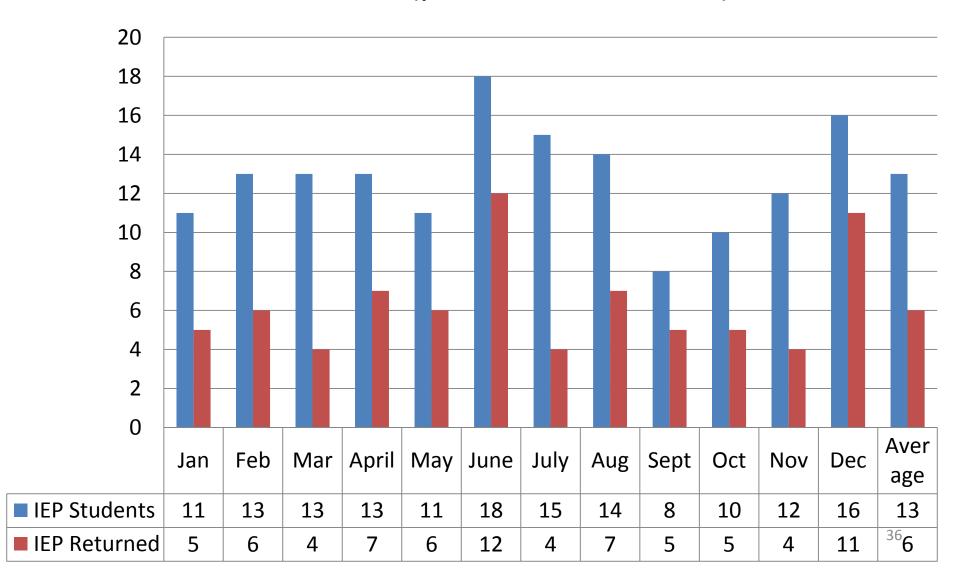
### Monthly Academic Credits Earned 2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)



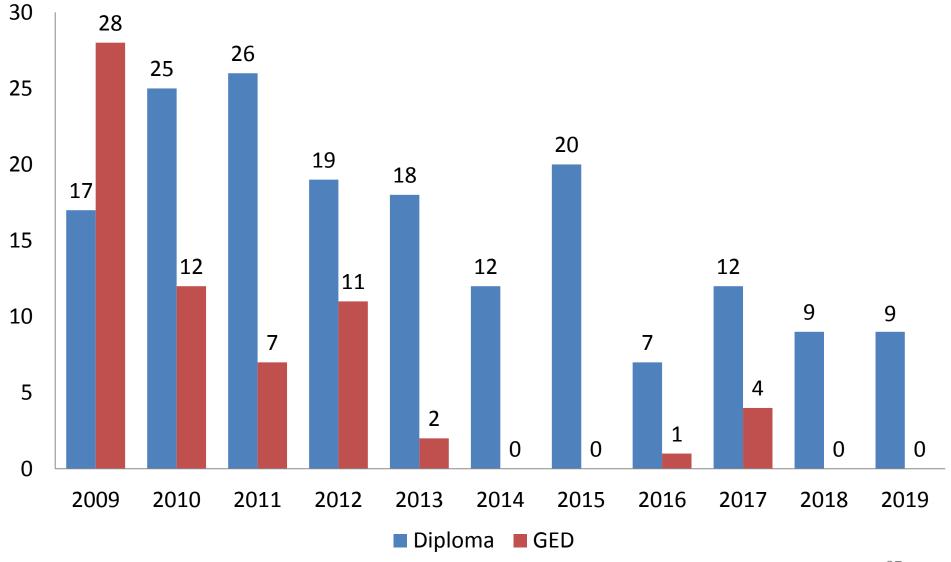
#### Individualized Educational Plans



# Monthly Admissions with Individualized Educational Plans 2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)

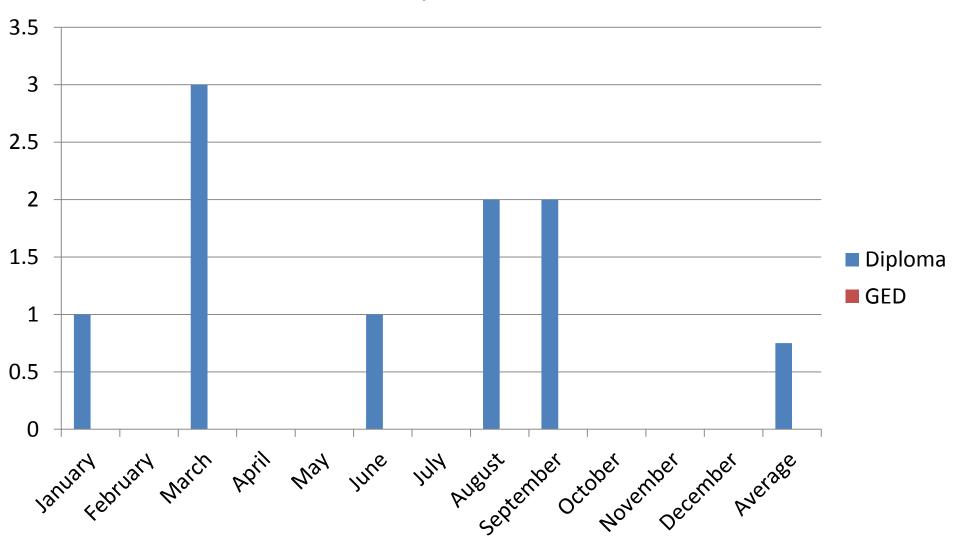


#### Graduates

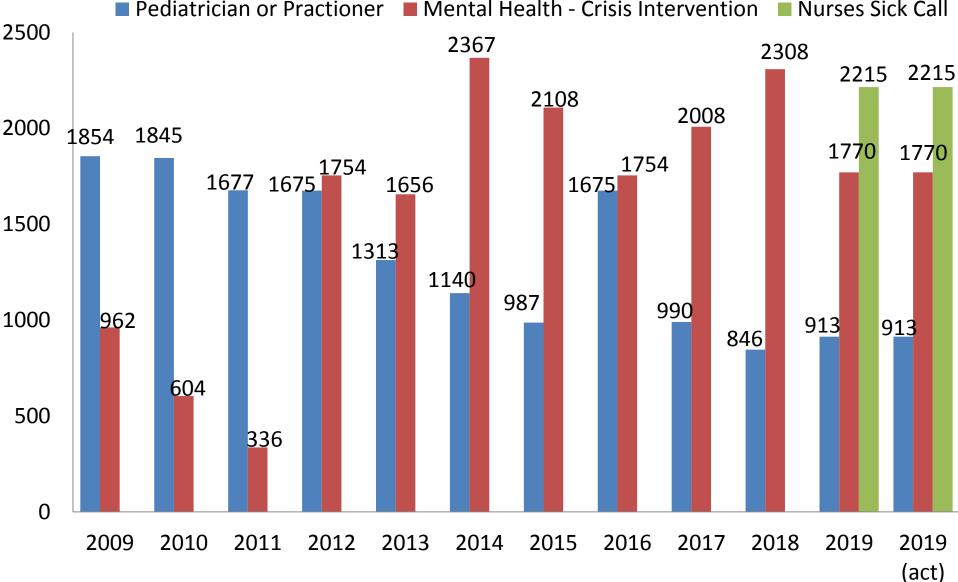


#### Monthly Graduates

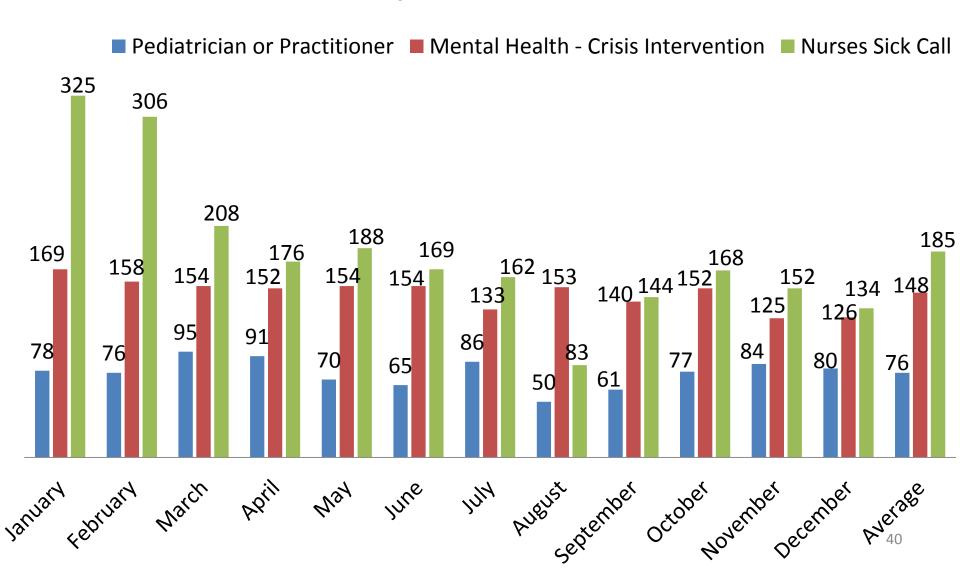
2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)



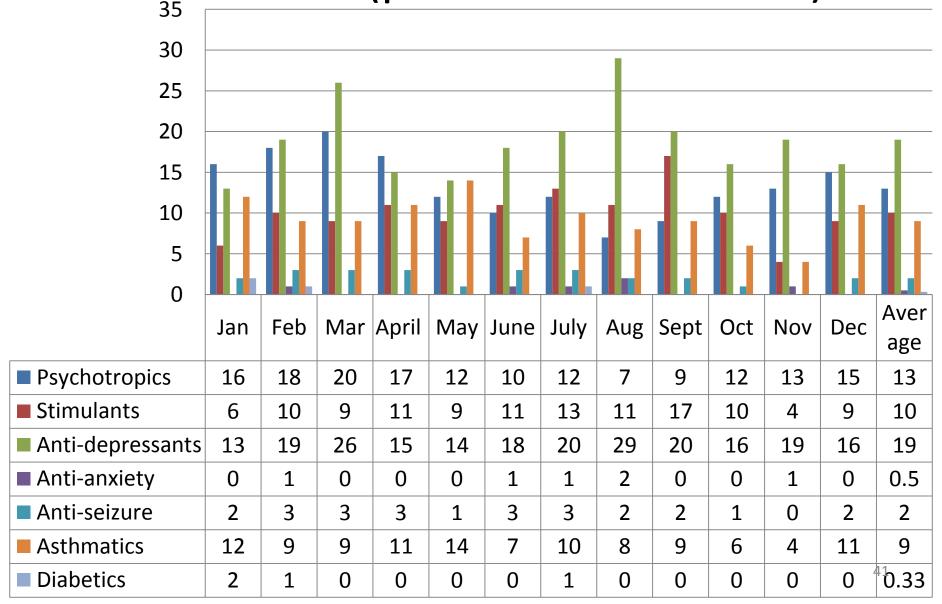
### Medical — Mental Health Pediatrician or Practioner ■ Mental Health - Crisis Intervention ■ Nurses Sick Call



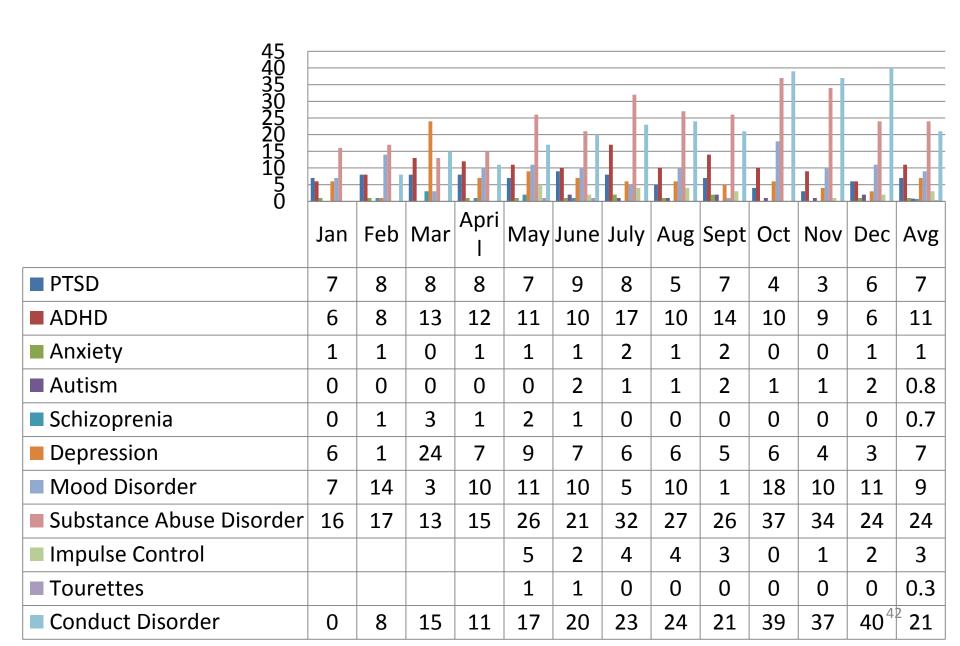
## Medical – Mental Health 2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)



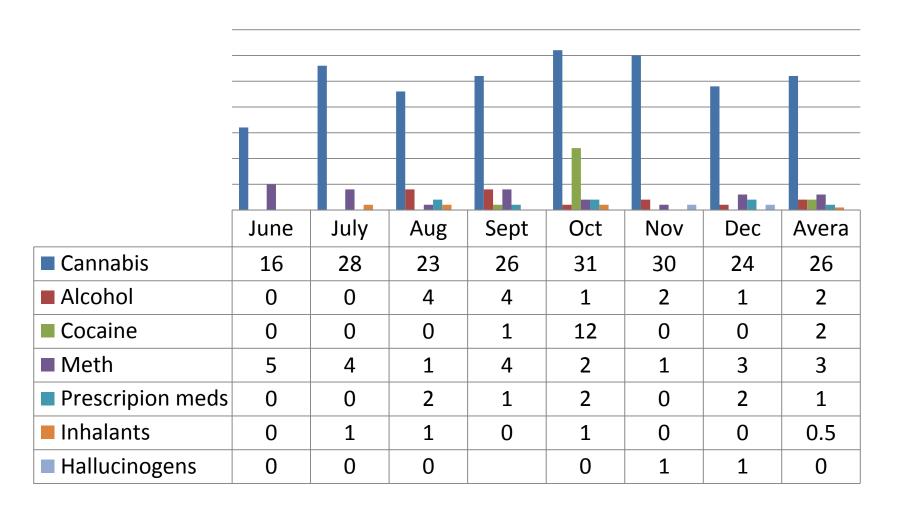
## Youth on Medication 2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)



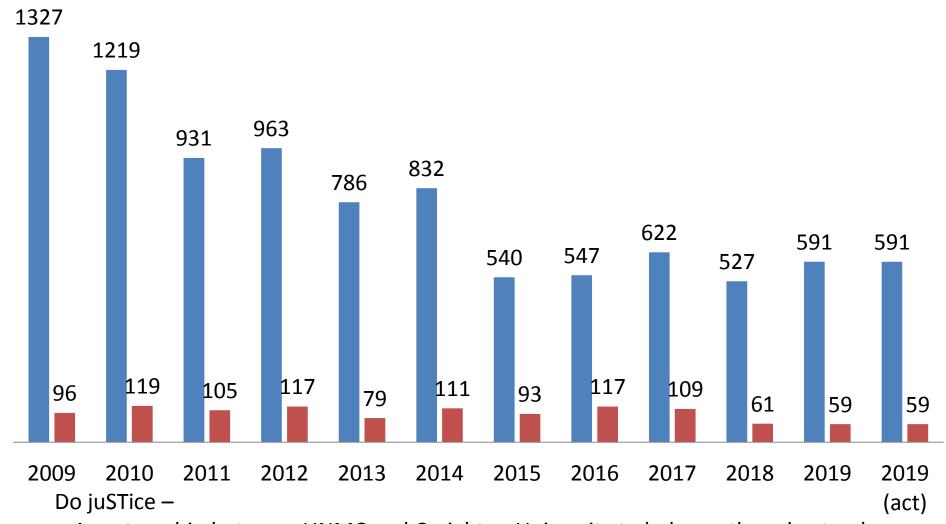
#### 2019 Psychiatric Diagnosis



#### Substance Abuse



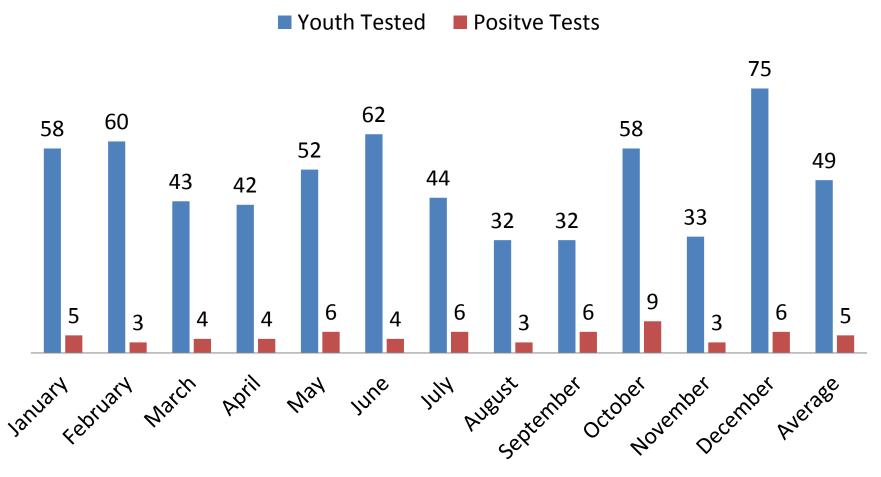
#### Sexually Transmitted Disease Testing



- A partnership between UNMC and Creighton University to help youth understand sexually transmitted diseases, appropriate relationships and the role of parenthood.
- Youth testing positive begin treatment.

## Monthly Sexually Transmitted Disease testing

2018 - 2019(previous 12 months)







# Questions? Suggestions?